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Mr. Kenneth E. Shoffner
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Dear Mr. Shoffner:

Thank you for your letter of September 18, 1968 addressed to Mr. John McCone, a former Director of Central Intelligence.

Because of the nature of its duties required by law and by considerations of national security, CIA does not publicly discuss its organization, its budget, or its personnel. Nor does it discuss its methods of operation or its sources of information. Thus, unfortunately, we are unable to help with your project.

That you may have a clearer understanding of our responsibilities, I am enclosing some printed materials which I hope you will find readable.

Your interest in this Agency is appreciated.

	Sincerely,				
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